GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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ANTHROPOLOGICAL SURVEY OF MEDARA`S
UMMAREDDY VENKATESWARLU

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Anthropological Survey of India has completed a survey on the Medara Community;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the areas surveyed;

(c) whether the report has been finalised; and

(d) the details of the representation and origin of the petition for the study on Medaras?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The first survey was conducted during the year 1985-86 in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka. The second survey was conducted in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh in 2002.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) As a part of an All India Research Project entitled `People of India`, the first survey on the Medaras was conducted by the Anthropological Survey of India. The Survey received a request from the Ministry of Tribal Affairs enclosing therein a letter of Prof. Ummareddy Venkateswarlu with the request to send a report on the Socio-economic condition of the Medara community. A letter of Dr. P. Pullarao has also been received in this regard.